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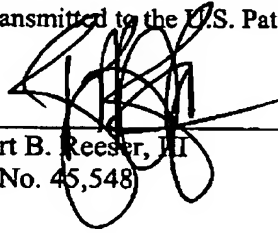
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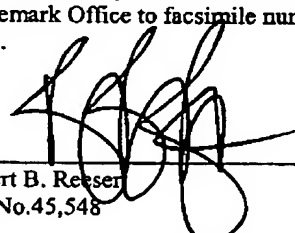
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(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

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(Fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:)

Extension for response within:	Other than small entity Fee	Small entity Fee (if applicable)
_____ first month	\$ 120.00	\$ 60.00
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If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

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Extension fee due with this request \$ .

OR

- (b)   X   Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

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FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				+ \$130 = \$		+ \$280 = \$
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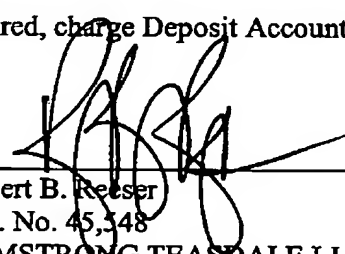
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Sir:

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submitted in response to the Office Action dated April 8, 2005.